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NOTICE

A **REGULAR MEETING** of the Board of Education will be held on **Monday, February 26, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.** at the James E. Morse Administration Center at Woodcliff, 2915 Hall Street, SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506. Phone number for information is 235-3535.

PURPOSE of the REGULAR MEETING

Recognition of:

Information Items:

February Professional Development Days
EGR High School Annual Guidance Report
Facilities Update

Consent Agenda:

Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of 1/29/07
Approval of Payment of Bills for January 2007
Approval of High School Transition Compensation
Approval of Overnight Student Activities
Approval of 6 New High School Courses

Other Action Items:

Approval of Schools of Choice Resolutions for 2007-2008
Approval of Numbers for 2007-2008 Schools of Choice
Approval of March as "*Reading Incentive Month*"
Approval of Construction Bids for Breton Downs and Lakeside Elementary Schools 2006 Bond Program
Approval of Bleacher Bids for the 2006 Bond Program
Approval of Major Mechanical Equipment Bid for the 2006 Bond Program
Approval of Teacher Early Retirement Incentive
Approval of Foreign Exchange Student from Germany

Administrative Reports:

"*Did You Know*" Power Point
Grand Rapids Community College Millage
Governors Budget Proposal
2006 Bond Program Webpage
Supplemental February 14 Student Count
Social Studies/Diversity Curriculum Update
Technology Curriculum Update
Summer School

Board Reports:

Superintendent's Advisory Committee
Legislative Coffee with Vern Ehlers
Youth Development

Mr. Charles Denton, President
East Grand Rapids Board of Education

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***Educating and inspiring each student to navigate successfully
in a global community.***

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Kent County, Michigan

REGULAR Meeting of the East Grand Rapids Board of Education

The James E. Morse Administration Center at Woodcliff , 2915 Hall Street, SE

Grand Rapids, MI 49506. Phone 616-235-3535.

Monday, February 26, 2007

7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Acknowledgment of Guests
3. Public Comments
4. Board Secretary's Report Communications to and from the Board - Mrs. Trierweiler
5. High School Student Council President's Report - Mr. Nathan Stevens
6. EGREA President's Report - Mrs. Nancy McSkimming

Information Items:

7. Report on February Professional Development Days - Mrs. Jeanne Glowicki and Mr. Doug Jenkins
8. Presentation of the East Grand Rapids High School Annual Guidance Report - Mr. Larry Fisher
9. Facilities Update - Mr. Joe Camp

Action Items - Consent Agenda:

Background: In order to save time during the meeting, we are using a Consent Agenda. Items in the Consent Agenda include those that are routine or have been previously discussed by the Board of Education. Any Board Member may request to have any item removed for a separate discussion and vote.

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Recommendation: Motion to approve items in the Consent Agenda Numbers 10 through 14.

10. Approval of Minutes of REGULAR MEETING of 1/29/07 (Enclosure #10)

11. Approval of Payment of Bills for January 2007 (Enclosure #11)

12. Approval of High School Transition Compensation (Enclosure #12)

13. Approval of Overnight Student Activities (Enclosure #13)

Background: In accordance with Board of Education Policy #7490, the Athletic Department has an additional trip and overnight athletic activity as outlined in Enclosure #13 for approval by the Board.

14. Approval of 6 New High School Courses

Background: At the January 29, 2007 the following courses were presented to the Board for review and discussion: French 7-8 Honors; French 9-10 Honors; Latin 5-6 Honors; Latin 7-8 Honors; Digital Photography; and Forensic Science Genetics.

Other Action Items:

15. Approval of the Schools of Choice Resolutions for 2007-2008

East Grand Rapids Public Schools has participated in the Kent Intermediate School District Collaborative Schools of Choice Program since its inception in the 1996-97 school year.

A. Approval of a Resolution to Opt Out of Section 105 State of Michigan Choice Plan (Enclosure #15A)

Background: East Grand Rapids Public Schools has opted out of the State Choice Plan since the inception of the KISD Collaborative Schools of Choice Plan in the 1996-97 school year.

Recommendation: Motion to pass a resolution to opt out of Section 105 of the State School Aid Act of 1979, as amended by Public Act 300 of 1996, of the State of Michigan Schools of Choice Program for the 2007-2008 school year, for the purpose of participating in an intermediate school district-wide schools of choice program.

B. Approval of a Resolution to Opt Out of Section 105c of the State 2007-08 Schools of Choice Plan (Enclosure #15B)

Background: In accordance with Section 105c as permitted in the State School Aid Act, Public Act 119 of 1999, as amended by

Public Act 297 of 2000, it is recommended that East Grand Rapids Public Schools not accept applications for enrollment from residents of contiguous intermediate school districts for the 2007-08 school year.

Recommendation: Motion to pass a resolution to opt out of Section 105c as recommended by the Superintendent.

C. Approval of a Resolution to Participate in the 2007-08 Kent Intermediate School District Collaborative Schools of Choice Program (Enclosure #15C)

Background: This is the sixth year of the new Choice Program.

Recommendation: Motion to pass a resolution to participate in the Kent ISD Collaborative Schools of Choice Program for the 2007-08 school year as recommended by the Superintendent.

16. Approval of Numbers for the 2007-2008 Schools of Choice Program (Enclosure #16)

Background: The East Grand Rapids Public Schools has participated in the Kent Intermediate School District Collaborative Schools of Choice Program since its inception in the 1996-97 school year. The Finance Committee and Superintendent are recommending that we accept 10 students at the middle and high school levels through the 2007-08 Kent ISD Collaborative Schools of Choice Program.

Recommendation: Motion to accept 10 students at the middle and high school levels through the 2007-08 Kent ISD Collaborative Schools of Choice Program.

17. Approval of March as "Reading Incentive Month" (Enclosure #17)

Background: The Board is asked to designate March as "Reading Incentive Month" in East Grand Rapids Public Schools.

Recommendation: Motion to designate March as "Reading Incentive Month" in the East Grand Rapids Public Schools and to encourage all students, staff members, and community members to support this program.

18. Approval of Construction Bids for Breton Downs and Lakeside Elementary Schools 2006 Bond Program (Enclosure #18)

Background: Bids were received for the construction being performed at Breton Downs and Lakeside Elementary Schools as part of the 2006 Bond Program. The Facilities Committee has received the bids and recommends approval.

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Recommendation: Motion to approve contracts to complete the construction scheduled for Breton Downs and Lakeside Elementary Schools for the 2006 Bond Program as recommended by the Facilities Committee and Superintendent as presented in Enclosure #18.

19. Approval of Bleacher Bids for the 2006 Bond Program (Enclosure #19)

Background: Bids were received for the new bleachers being installed in the High School and Middle School gymnasiums as well as the mobile bleacher systems for the Breton Downs and Lakeside Elementary Schools gymnasiums. The Facilities Committee has received the bids and recommends approval.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the purchase of the bleacher systems from the low bidder, InterKel Corporation in the amount of \$295,421.00 as recommended by the Facilities Committee and Superintendent.

20. Approval of Major Mechanical Equipment Bids for the 2006 Bond Program (Enclosure #20)

Background: Bids were received for the major mechanical equipment being purchased for the 2006 Bond Program. The Facilities Committee has received the bids and recommends approval.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the purchase of the major mechanical equipment from the low bidder, York Corporation, in the amount of \$409,325.00 as recommended by the Facilities Committee and Superintendent.

21. Approval of Early Retirement Incentive (Enclosure #21)

Background: The Teachers' Association has requested a retirement incentive this year. The Finance Committee and Administration are recommending a retirement incentive for the 2006-07 school year.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the Retirement Program as presented in Enclosure #21 upon the recommendation of the Superintendent.

22. Approval of a Foreign Exchange Student from Germany (Enclosure #22)

Background: The High School Administration recommends that foreign exchange student, Cathleen Dobrowolski, from Germany, be approved for enrollment at East Grand Rapids High School during the 2007-08 school year.

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Recommendation: Motion to approve the recommendation by the administration that Cathleen Dobrowolski from Germany be enrolled at East Grand Rapids High School for the 2007-08 school year.

Administrative Reports:

23. Superintendent

- A. "Did you Know?" Power Point
- B. Grand Rapids Community College Millage

24. Assistant Superintendent for Business

- A. Governors Budget Proposal
- B. 2006 Bond Program Webpage

25. Assistant Supt. of Instruction

- A. Social Studies/Diversity Curriculum Update
- B. Technology Curriculum Update
- C. Summer School

26. Board Representative Report

- A. Superintendent's Advisory Council (SAC) - Mrs. Trierweiler
- B. Legislative Coffee with Vern Ehlers - Mr. Edison
- C. Youth Development - Mr. Camp

27. Adjournment

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